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## Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)

**Free Service for Nonprofits.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

## Special Announcements

**Foundation Research: Identifying Who Gives and Who Gets in the Washington Region.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* will host a training session on foundation research. Katherine Jankowski, Research Director for GrantsDirect.com, will show you how to target and tailor your foundation research using the newly published Directory of the Washington Region's Leading 500 Foundations, as well as GrantsDirect.com, the online database providing the most current information available on the region's foundation community. OPGD's Grants Information Resource Center offers access to GrantsDirect.com, which now includes detailed profiles of more than 1,700 grantmakers headquartered in Maryland, DC, and Northern Virginia, and more than 125,000 of

their grant recipients. The session will take place on August 1, 2005, 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m., at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Room 1107 North. For further information or to register for the session, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

**DEADLINE EXTENDED. Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI).** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* has extended the application deadline for the 2005-2006 SPI Class to **July 29, 2005**, at 5:00 p.m. SPI is a free training opportunity for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program is designed to help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; annual budget under \$500,000; desires professional and organizational growth; and has the time and commitment to complete the 12 month program and related requirements. Applications are available at [www.opgd.dc.gov](http://www.opgd.dc.gov). They may also be e-mailed, faxed, or picked-up from OPGD, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North, Washington, DC. For additional information or to obtain the application, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

## Federal Opportunities

**Conservation Assessment Program.** *Institute of Museum and Library Services* announces the availability of funds to serve as an adjunct to the Conservation Project Support program. The program supports site visit by a conservation professional to

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perform the assessment and up to three days to write the report. The assessment report assists the institution by (1) providing recommendations and priorities for conservation actions, both immediate and long-term, (2) facilitating the development of long-range institutional plans for the care and preservation of the collections, and (3) serving as a fundraising tool for future conservation projects. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2005. For further information, contact IMLS at (202) 653-4657 or [imlsinfo@imls.gov](mailto:imlsinfo@imls.gov); or go to: [http://www.imls.gov/grants/museum/mus\\_cap.asp](http://www.imls.gov/grants/museum/mus_cap.asp). GrantID: GD589

**Consultation Grants for Libraries.** *National Endowment for the Humanities* announces funds to help develop a new public humanities project or chart a new interpretive direction of an existing program. Funds support the costs of conferring with a team of advisers to help identify key humanities themes and questions during the early stages of a project's development. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is September 16, 2005. Awards up to \$10,000 are available. For further information, contact Peter Scott at (202) 606-8446 or [pscott@neh.gov](mailto:pscott@neh.gov); or go to: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/public-consult.html>. GrantID: GD593

**CSBG T&TA Promoting Healthy Marriages.** *Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds for training and technical assistance resources for the Community Services Network focusing on improving the quality of programs carried out under the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) act and the delivery of healthy marriage strategies among low income people served by local community action agencies. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit and faith-based organizations, public housing authorities, and private

institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is August 15, 2005. Approximately \$400,000 is available to fund 6 awards, ranging from \$50,000-\$100,000. For further information, go to: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/HHS-2005-ACF-OCS-ET-0043.html>. GrantID: GD606

**Interpreting America's Historic Places.** *National Endowment for the Humanities* announces funds to help organizations initiate new interpretive programs and enrich existing public programs at places of historic significance. The "place" to be interpreted might be a single historic site, a series of sites, an entire neighborhood, a community or town, or a larger geographical region. The place taken as a whole must be significant to American history and the project must convey its historic importance to visitors. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is September 16, 2005. Awards up to \$15,000 are available. For further information, contact Peter Scott at (202) 606-8446 or [pscott@neh.gov](mailto:pscott@neh.gov); or go to: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/historicconsult.html>. GrantID: GD594.

**Interpreting America's Historic Places Planning Grant.** *National Endowment for the Humanities* announces funds to develop in detail the content and interpretive approach of projects prior to implementation. The "place" to be interpreted might be a single historic site, a series of sites, an entire neighborhood, a community or town, or a larger geographical region. The place taken as a whole must be significant to American history and the project must convey its historic importance to visitors. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is September 16, 2005. Awards up to \$45,000 are available. For further information, contact Peter Scott at (202) 606-8446 or [pscott@neh.gov](mailto:pscott@neh.gov); or go to: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/historicplanning.html>. GrantID: GD591

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**Librarians for the 21st Century.** *Institute of Museum and Library Services* announces funds to support efforts to recruit and educate the next generation of librarians and the faculty who will prepare them for careers in library science. It also supports grants for research related to library education and library staffing needs, curriculum development, continuing education, and training. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is December 15, 2005. Awards ranging from \$50,000-\$1,000,000 are available. For further information, contact IMLS at (202) 653-4657 or [imlsinfo@imls.gov](mailto:imlsinfo@imls.gov); or go to: [http://www.imls.gov/grants/library/lib\\_bdre.htm](http://www.imls.gov/grants/library/lib_bdre.htm). GrantID: GD596

**Museum Assessment Program.** *Institute of Museum and Library Services* announces funds to help museums assess their strengths and weaknesses and plan for the future. The program provides technical assistance for four assessments: (1) collections management; (2) governance; (3) institutional; and (4) public dimension. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is February 15, 2006. For further information, contact IMLS at (202) 653-4657 or [imlsinfo@imls.gov](mailto:imlsinfo@imls.gov); or go to: [http://www.imls.gov/grants/museum/mus\\_map.asp](http://www.imls.gov/grants/museum/mus_map.asp). GrantID: GD588

**National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR)--Disability Rehabilitation Research Projects (DRRP).** *Department of Education* announces funds to plan and conduct research, demonstration projects, training, and related activities that help to maximize the full inclusion and integration of individuals with disabilities into society and to improve the effectiveness of services authorized under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities, private institutions of higher education, and for-profit organizations other than small businesses. The deadline for applications is September 13, 2005. Approximately \$750,000 is available to fund 1

award. For further information, contact Julius Cotton at (202) 245-6140 or [julius.cotton@ed.gov](mailto:julius.cotton@ed.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-13998.pdf>. GrantID: GD603

**National Leadership Grants for Museums and Libraries.** *Institute of Museum and Library Services* announces funds to assist libraries and museums to help all individuals attain the knowledge, skills, attitudes, behaviors, and resources that enhance their engagement in community, work, family, and society. Projects should enable libraries and museums to address current problems in creative ways, develop and test innovative solutions, and expand the boundaries within which cultural heritage institutions operate. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is February 1, 2006. Awards ranging from \$25,000-\$1,000,000 are available. A match is required. For further information, contact IMLS at (202) 653-4657 or [imlsinfo@imls.gov](mailto:imlsinfo@imls.gov); or go to: <http://www.imls.gov/grants/index.htm>. GrantID: GD595

**Partnership for a Nation of Learners Community Collaboration Grants.** *Institute of Museum and Library Services* announces funds to build and strengthen working relationships among libraries, museums, and public broadcasting licensees that enhance their roles within their communities. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is March 1, 2006. Awards ranging from \$25,000-\$250,000 are available. A match is required. For further information, contact IMLS at (202) 563-4657 or [imlsinfo@imls.gov](mailto:imlsinfo@imls.gov); or go to: [http://www.imls.gov/grants/l-m/lm\\_pnl.htm](http://www.imls.gov/grants/l-m/lm_pnl.htm). GrantID: GD587

**Planning Grants for Museums.** *National Endowment for the Humanities* announces funds to refine the content and interpretive approach of projects prior to implementation. Applicants should have already identified the appropriate humanities content of their projects and consulted with scholars and programming advisors. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, public and

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state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is September 16, 2005. Awards up to \$40,000 are available. A match is required. For further information, contact Peter Scott at (202) 606-8446 or [psscott@neh.gov](mailto:psscott@neh.gov); or go to: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/public-planning.html>. GrantID: GD592

## **Rehabilitation Training: Rehabilitation Long-Term Training--Vocational Rehabilitation**

**Counseling.** *Department of Education* announces the availability of funds to provide financial assistance for: (1) projects that provide basic or advanced training leading to an academic degree in areas of personnel shortages in rehabilitation as identified by the Secretary; (2) projects that provide a specified series of courses or program of study leading to award of a certificate in areas of personnel shortages in rehabilitation as identified by the Secretary; and (3) projects that provide support for medical residents enrolled in residency training programs in the specialty of physical medicine and rehabilitation. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is September 6, 2005. Approximately \$450,000 is available to fund 3 awards, up to \$150,000. A match is required. For further information, contact Tonja Lark at (202) 245-6160 or [tonja.lark@ed.gov](mailto:tonja.lark@ed.gov); or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-14287.pdf>. GrantID: GD607

**WIC Hispanic Breastfeeding Promotion and Education Project.** *Department of Agriculture* announces funds to develop a culturally sensitive, culturally appropriate breastfeeding promotion project targeted to Hispanic women and families who participate in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC). The intent of this project is to develop breastfeeding educational materials and tools that specifically target the barriers to breastfeeding for Hispanic WIC participants. Eligible applicants include state governments, nonprofit, and faith-based

organizations. The deadline for applications is August 15, 2005. Approximately \$400,000 is available to fund 1 award. For further information, contact Suzanne Pastura at (703) 305-2867 or [suzanne.pastura@fns.usda.gov](mailto:suzanne.pastura@fns.usda.gov); or go to: <http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/USDA/FNS/FNSGMD/USDA-FNS-WIBR-05/Grant.html>. GrantID: GD602

**WIC: Value Enhanced Nutrition Assessment (VENA) Training Curriculum.** *Department of Agriculture* announces funds for the development and delivery of a training curriculum related to the VENA initiative now underway in the WIC program. VENA represents a significant change in the way the WIC program certification and assessment process will be conducted. As such, it will require extensive training at the state and local agency levels, especially in areas such as rapport building, critical thinking, and health outcome-based assessment, that have not traditionally been part of the skills set expected of state or local WIC agency staffs. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is August 17, 2005. Approximately \$300,000 is available to fund 1 award. For further information, contact Deborah Shore at (703) 305-2184 or [deborah.shore@fns.usda.gov](mailto:deborah.shore@fns.usda.gov); or go to: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/vena/venarfa.htm>. GrantID: GD590

## **District Opportunities**

### **Pre-Kindergarten Incentive Program II.**

*Department of Human Services* announces funds for the second round of the Pre-Kindergarten Incentive Program. Grants will be provided to staff, train, and equip as many as 16 classrooms in community-based settings in Wards 2, 3, 4 and 7 for up to 16 District children in each classroom. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is August 29, 2005, at 3:30 p.m. Approximately \$2,250,000 is available. A Pre-Application Conference will be held on August 4, 2005, 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m., at the DC Office of Early Childhood Development, 717 14th Street, NW, Eighth Floor Conference Room. The RFA may be obtained from Priscilla Burnett at the DHS Office of Grants Management, 64 New York Avenue, NE, Sixth Floor, Washington, DC 20002. For further information, go to:



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[http://www.opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,\[33041\].asp](http://www.opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,[33041].asp). GrantID: GD604

## **Teacher Quality Enhancement State Grant**

**Goal 3.4.** *DC Public Schools and the State Education Agency* announce the availability of funds to increase the number of National Board Certified Teachers in the District of Columbia schools. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher education and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is August 31, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. Awards up to \$70,000 are available. A Pre-Application Conference will be held on July 27, 2005, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m., at the Office of Academic Credentials, 825 North Capitol Street, NE, 6th Floor, Washington, DC. For further information, contact Nelda Owsiak at [nelda.owsiak@k12.dc.us](mailto:nelda.owsiak@k12.dc.us); or go to: [http://www.opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,\[33041\].asp](http://www.opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,[33041].asp). GrantID: GD605

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

**AMENDED.** *Department of Human Services, FY 2006 Family-to-Family Grant*, August 3, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

*Department of Health, 2005 Housing and Housing Services for Persons Living with HIV/AIDS*, August 12, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

*Office of the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice/Office of Homeland Security, National Capital Region Urban Areas Security Initiative Grant Program - Nonprofit Allocation*, August 19, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

*Office on Aging, Fiscal Year 2006 Senior Wellness Center Program Grant*, August 24, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

*Department of Human Services, Domestic Violence Program Grant*, August 30, 2005, at 5:00 p.m.

*Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates*, September 23, and December 22, 2005.

*Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and*

*Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP)*, applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

## **Foundation Opportunities**

**Arts Education.** *Dana Foundation* announces funds to support innovative professional development programs leading to improved teaching of the performing arts in public schools. The Foundation's interests include but are not limited to the following: dance, music, or theatre based on a specific pedagogy; and arts curricula integrated into a school's standard curriculum. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is August 31, 2005. For further information, go to: <http://www.dana.org/grants/artseducation/>. GrantID: GD599

**Community Assistance Grant.** *The Commonwealth Foundation* announces funds to support educational programs and projects assisting disadvantaged youth in the Washington metropolitan area. The Foundation focuses on secondary and, to a lesser extent, elementary education. The Foundation also considers grants for educational research and, to a limited extent, health care. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, faith- and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is August 1, 2005. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available. For further information, contact Gloria Dairsow at (240) 450-0000 or [gdairsow@cweal.org](mailto:gdairsow@cweal.org); or go to: <http://www.cweal.org/cag.htm>. GrantID: GD580

**Domestic Grants Program.** *Mattel and the Mattel Children's Foundation* announce the second round of grants to organizations that creatively address a locally defined need directly impacting children (particularly children between the ages of 0 and 13) and that align with Mattel's funding priorities, which include health, education, and girls' empowerment. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is December 9, 2005. Awards ranging from \$5,000-\$25,000 are available. For further information, go to: [http://www.mattel.com/About\\_Us/Philanthropy/ci\\_mcf\\_philanthropy\\_grantmaking.asp](http://www.mattel.com/About_Us/Philanthropy/ci_mcf_philanthropy_grantmaking.asp). GrantID: GD597

**DC Area Grantmaking.** *The Meyer Foundation* awards grants in the areas of arts and humanities,

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community service, education, health and mental health, law and justice, neighborhood development, and housing to organizations that serve the people and communities in the Washington, DC region. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is October 3, 2005. For further information, go to:  
<http://www.meyerfoundation.org/grantmaking/>.  
GrantID: GD600

**Te@ch Program.** *Best Buy* is accepting applications to help expand or enhance existing programs that use interactive technology to make learning fun for kids. Eligible applicants include independent school districts and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2005. For further information, go to:  
<http://www.bbycommunications.com/cr/applogin.asp>.  
Granted: GD598

## Resources & Announcements

**How to Build a Successful Mentoring Program.** *MENTOR* has just released a comprehensive tool kit that offers step-by-step instructions that programs can follow to implement four key components of effective mentoring practice: Program Design and Planning; Program Management; Program Operations; and Program Evaluation. It also contains a CD with more than 160 tools and templates that mentoring programs can customize to suit their individual program needs. Programs can use these checklists to see how well they are progressing in implementing the components. Organizations can download the tool kit for free at:  
[http://www.mentoring.org/program\\_staff/eeptoolkit/index.php](http://www.mentoring.org/program_staff/eeptoolkit/index.php)

## Previous Resource Announcements

**Lead Safe Washington Program.** *Department of Housing and Community Development* provides funds and technical assistance to reduce lead-based paint hazards and achieve lead-based paint related compliance with local and federal law. Eligible applicants include low-to-moderate income single-family homeowners and rental property owners. For more information, call (202) 442-7180.

**New Online Grants Database for DC Area Nonprofits.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and*

*Grants Development (OPGD), in partnership with the Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO),* announces its new Grants Information Data System (GIDS). This online grants database provides information on current competitive federal, city, and foundation grant opportunities for local nonprofit and community-based organizations. All grants may be searched by: grantor type/name; issue area; key words in the title; or a Grant ID number, a unique identifier assigned by the system. The Grant ID numbers are now included in all *Funding Alert* grant listings. For further information and to access the database, go to:  
<http://app.opgd.dc.gov/grantautomation/grantfinder.asp>.

**New Online Application for Local Inter-governmental Review.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD), in partnership with the Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO),* announces a new online application for the State Single Point of Contact process. Federal grant applicants can comply with Executive Order 12372 - Intergovernmental Review, which governs the District's State Single Point of Contact process, by using this online tool to submit their information from the SF-424 form (application for federal assistance). Applicants will immediately receive an e-mail that provides a State Application Identifier (SAI) number, which is proof of compliance with Executive Order 12372. For further information and to access the application, go to:  
<http://app.opgd.dc.gov/grantautomation/spoc.asp>.

**Pro-Bono Design and PR Services.** *Mediastudio, a graphic design firm, and Advocacy Communications International, a public relations firm, are hosting CreateAThon, a 24-hour marathon of pro bono assistance for nonprofit advocacy organizations to take place on September 30, 2005. Organizations will work with the CreateAThon team to create a graphic design product and communications plan. Designers, as well as printers and other donors gathered by the group, will be creating for 24 hours straight for nonprofits who otherwise could not afford creative services. Eligible applicants include nonprofits in the Washington, DC area. The deadline for applications is August 3, 2005, at noon. For further information, contact Catherine Shaw at (703) 536-9775, or go to:*  
<http://www.mediastudio.com/createathon/>.

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**Technology Innovation Award.** *NPower Greater DC Region* announces the Technology Innovation Award, sponsored by Accenture, to recognize those nonprofits in the DC region whose innovative use of technology has helped them improve key aspects of their operations and more effectively fulfill their missions. The award will honor a winner and two other finalists that best demonstrate how technology advancements have had a positive impact on 1) their overall mission; 2) the efficiency of day-to-day operations; 3) the effectiveness in serving clients and key stakeholders; and 4) their fundraising, advocacy or volunteer efforts. Winners will receive free technology consulting and software products valued up to \$35,000. The deadline for application is September 16, 2005. For further information, go to: <http://www.npowergdc.org/tia.htm>.

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